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## PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed September 26, 2000, said period of response being extended from December 26, 2000 to March 26, 2001.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required amount of \$890.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-0743. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

JUDY LYNN WESTBY ET AL.

By their Representatives,

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 23 day of March, 2001.

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